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REMARKS

Claims 1, 7-13, 17, 18, and 20 are pending in the application. Claim 20 has been canceled. Applicants acknowledge that Claims 1, 7-13, 17, and 18 are allowed.

Applicants' Response to 35 U.S.C. § 103 Rejection

In the Office Action, Claim 20 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a), as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 3,599,769 to Gardella (Gardella) in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,419,070 to Agnoff (Agnoff) and U.S. Patent No. 6,443,295 to Hill (Hill). Claim 20 was cancelled rendering the rejection to Claim 20 moot.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicants note with appreciation that at page 2 of the Office Action, Claims 1, 7-13, 17, and 18 are allowed.

CONCLUSION

Claim 20 has been canceled making its rejection moot. Claims 1, 7-13, 17, and 18 are allowed. Having responded in full to the present Office Action, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Favorable action thereon is respectfully solicited.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees associated with this communication, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 08-2461. Such authorization includes authorization to charge fees for extensions of time, if any, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 and also should be treated as a constructive petition for an extension of time in this reply or any future reply pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136.

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Should the Examiner have any questions or comments concerning the above, the Examiner is respectfully invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number given below.

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